

### **REMARKS/ARGUMENTS**

The objections presented in the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated February 18, 2010 (hereinafter “Notice”) have been considered, as well as the Office Action of July 2, 2009 (hereinafter “Office Action”). Claims 1-24, 26-29, 31-34, and 36-48 were canceled by the Examiner in the Office Action. Claims 25, 30, and 35 remain pending in the application. Claim 30 is canceled herein.

Claim 25, depending from independent claim 17, was rejected under §103(a) in the Office Action. (Page 3). Claim 17 was canceled in the Office Action. A dependent claim cannot stand on its own. Therefore, claim 25 is presented herein as rewritten in independent form. Claim 25 is further amended herein, as indicated. Reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection of claim 25 as amended herein is respectfully requested.

Claim 35, depending from independent claim 32, was rejected under §102(b) in the Office Action. (Page 3). Claim 32 was canceled in the Office Action. A dependent claim cannot stand on its own. Therefore, claim 35 is presented herein as rewritten in independent form. Claim 35 is further amended herein, as indicated. Reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection of claim 35 as amended herein is respectfully requested.

Claims 49-65 are added herein as depending from either of claims 25 and 35. No new matter is added. This response earnestly attempts to fully respond to the Notice via the comments and amendments above. Entry of the amendments and new claims, and substantive examination of this application, is respectfully requested.

To the extent that the current response does not respond to any characterization in the Office Action of the asserted art or of the claimed subject matter, or to any application in the Office Action of the asserted art to any claimed subject matter, it is stated for the record that any such lack of response should not be interpreted as an acquiescence to such characterizations or applications. A detailed discussion of each of the Office Action’s characterizations, or any other assertions or statements beyond that provided above is unnecessary in view of the present response. The right to address in detail any such assertions or statements in the future is reserved.

Authorization is given to charge Deposit Account No. 50-3581 (GUID.609PA) any necessary fees for this filing. If the Examiner believes it necessary or helpful, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorney to discuss any issues related to this case.

Respectfully submitted,

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